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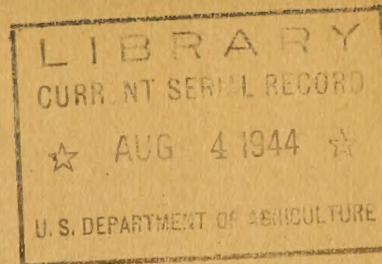
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WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION  
Office of Distribution  
Washington 25, D. C.



February 7, 1944

Food Allocations For 1944

The War Food Administration has issued the attached table showing food allocations to our armed forces, U. S. civilians, our allies, and other claimants, for 1944 and revised figures on certain commodities which are allocated on a fiscal year basis. These new allocations take into account the latest information on supplies and requirements.

On the basis of allocations made for the calendar year 1944 and taking into account unallocated foods, it is expected that about 13-1/2 percent of our total food supplies will go to meet requirements of U. S. military and war services. Food shipments to England, Russia and the other United Nations will total about 11-1/2 percent of our estimated supplies - 4 percent to Great Britain, 3-1/2 percent to Russia, 1 percent for shipments to U. S. territories and commercial exports, and 3 percent for use in fulfilling emergency requirements for Liberated Areas and other special purposes.

Civilians will receive 75 percent of available supplies. However, the average American's diet, although differing somewhat in composition will be little different in both quantity and nutritive value from that of 1943 and from the average pre-war diet.

Although allocations are made for a 12-month period, they are made "firm" for only 3 months at a time. The division for the following three quarters must be kept tentative because the year's allocations are based on estimated production and supplies. The allocation process is therefore one of continuous adjustment, with later allocations subject to change as requirements and supplies come into closer focus.

As the basis of our wartime food distribution system, allocation is the planned division of the expected supply of food commodities. It is a method of adjusting requirements to prospective supply in such a way that this supply is utilized to the best possible advantage in the war program. Briefly, the system operates this way:

Civilian needs, based on standards for good nutrition, are presented by the Civilian Food Requirements Branch of the Office of Distribution, WFA, which files civilian food claims, commodity by commodity. Requests for food to meet current needs and maintain necessary reserves are filed by the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, War Shipping Administration, and Veterans Administration.

Requirements of Great Britain, Russia, other Lend-Lease countries, and liberated areas are submitted through the Foreign Economic Administration. The needs of the Red Cross, and our territories--Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Alaska--are listed. Every claim must be supported by facts clearly demonstrating essential needs.



Claims are then matched against available supplies. If supplies prove short in relation to total demand, claimants are requested to review their food lists to determine whether reductions and substitutions can be made. After each group's requirements have been analyzed and adjusted on the basis of urgency and importance in the war program, a balance is struck and the allocations made. To each claimant group is allocated that portion of the supply which fills its most essential requirements.

(Note: Queries for further information on allocations should be sent to the Marketing Reports Division, Office of Distribution, War Food Administration, Washington, D. C. )



Summary of allocations for the 1944 calendar year  
(In specified units)

Commodity	Allocation \$										Lend-Lease		U.S.	: U.K., USSR, and : Civilians:	: Other : exports:	: U.S. : exports:	: Per capita: Per capita:	
	: Total	: gency : and war:	: reserve:services:	: 1	: 2	: 3	: 4	: 5	: 6	: 7	: 8	: 9						: 10
Million pounds																		
Dairy products:																		
Butter.....	2,046.1:	10.0:	366.5:	102.2:	0:	102.2:	11.4:	1,556.0:	12.1:	16.8								
Cheese, American.....	797.6:	60.0:	146.7:	214.4:	0:	214.4:	16.5:	360.0:	2.8:	4.0								
Cheese, other.....	189.5:	0:	9.0:	1.1:	0:	1.1:	4:	180.0:	1.4:	1.6								
Evaporated milk.....	3,302.2:	170.0:	935.9:	370.7:	75.0:	295.7:	85.6:	1,740.0:	13.5:	15.2								
Condensed milk.....	260.0:	4.0:	3.9:	52.6:	10.0:	42.6:	8.8:	190.7:	1.5:	1.6								
Dried whole milk.....	130.0:	0:	54.3:	28.7:	0:	28.7:	28.0:	19.0:	1.1:	1.1								
Dried skim roller.....	239.4:	8.0:	24.0:	120.9:	84.8:	36.1:	6.5:	80.0:	1.2:	1.9								
Dried skim spray.....	252.4:	8.0:	33.9:	130.7:	15.0:	115.7:	1.8:	78.0:										
Million pounds dried weight																		
Total meats.....	25,574:	1,142:	4,333:	2,877:	341:	2,536:	224:	16,998:	132.1:	126.4								
Beef.....	9,680:	93:	2,425:	111:	31:	80:	96:	6,955:	54.1:	55.2								
Veal.....	1,299:	4:	177:	14:	0:	14:	5:	1,099:	8.5:	8.0								
Lamb and mutton.....	895:	4:	170:	57:	0:	57:	4:	660:	5.1:	6.7								
Pork.....	13,700:	1,041:	1,561:	2,695:	310:	2,385:	119:	8,284:	64.4:	56.5								
Million dozen																		
Eggs:																		
Fresh and frozen eggs.....	4,092.2:	0:	363.4:	3:	0:	3:	7.2:	3,721.3:	43.4:	37.5								
Dried whole eggs.....	297.3:	0:	78.4:	216.7:	0:	216.7:	2.2:	0:	0:									
Million pounds fat content																		
Fats and oils (excl. butter)																		
Grand total.....	10,095.0:	109.7:	789.9:	1,437.9:	179.3:	1,258.6:	210.8:	77,546.7:										
Food uses - Total.....	6,206.3:	109.7:	403.4:	1,422.5:	179.3:	1,243.2:	174.7:	4,096.0:	31.8:	31.5								
Lard.....	3,000.9:	48.9:	99.6:	935.4:	79.9:	855.5:	124.0:	1,793.0:	13.9:	11.0								
Margarine.....	616.3:	0:	1.0:	132.1:	0:	132.1:	17.2:	466.0:	3.6:	2.3								
Shortening and other edible oils.....	2,589.1:	60.8:	302.8:	355.0:	99.4:	255.6:	33.5:	1,837.0:	14.3:	18.2								
Non-food uses -Total.....	3,888.7:	0:	386.5:	15.4:	0:	15.4:	36.1:	3,450.7:										



Summary of allocations for the 1944 calendar year - Continued  
(In specified units)

Commodity	Allocation <sup>a/</sup>					Other:		Per capita:	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Thousand cwt.					Exports:		Civilian:	
						and		allo-	
						U.S.		cations	
						U.K., USSR		1944.	
						Total:		sumption	
						Agency and war		1935-39	
						reserve:		average	
						services:		10	
						Areas:		In pounds	
						Lend Lease:		In pounds	
						100-lb. bags milled		In pounds	
						268:		5.8	
						1,471:		7,500:	
						6,716:		6.2	
						1,203:		8.9	
						4,030:		1.6	
						2,096:		2,000:	
						146:		.5	
						868:		11,500:	
Dry edible beans.....	23,027:	1,000:	3,442:	6,217:	2,187:	4,030:	868:	11,500:	8.9
Dry edible peas.....	6,800:	988:	300:	3,366:	1,270:	2,096:	146:	2,000:	1.6
						Thousand 100-lb. bags milled		In pounds	
Rice.....	17,904:	1,000:	1,217:	1,471:	268:	1,203:	6,716:	7,500:	5.8
						6,716:		6.2	
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Summary of allocations for the fiscal year, July 1, 1943 to June 30, 1944  
(In specified units)



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Summary of allocations for the fiscal year, July 1, 1943 to June 30, 1944 - Continued  
(In specified units)

Commodity	Allocation										Per capita			
	U.S.					Other ex-					:civilian			
	: Cont'n-	: gency	: reserve	: services	: Total	: U.K., USSR	: ports and	: ship-	: U.S.	: Civilian	: allocation	: consumption	: 1935-39	: average
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
	Thousand pounds farm weight										In pounds			
Apples - Total	4,423,400	275,518	753,070	142,101	0	142,101	22,341	3,230,370						
Fresh	2,849,608	0	458,067	1,060	0	1,060	15,862	2,374,619			18.5	e/	43.1	
Canned	387,091	72,126	117,814	969	0	969	4,863	191,319						
Apple butter	72,162	0	2,198	0	0	0	153	69,811						
Dried	401,600	203,392	59,728	138,080	0	138,080	400	0						
Dehydrated	78,230	0	78,230	0	0	0	0	0						
Frozen	22,000	0	185	0	0	0	0	21,815						
Jellies	121,522	0	21,662	1,700	0	1,700	600	97,560						
Vinegar	371,187	0	15,186	292	0	292	463	355,246						
Cider	120,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	120,000						
	Short tons, proc. weight													
Dried fruit -														
Total b/	623,500	62,570	97,897	143,262	0	143,262	36,849	282,922			4.4		5.7	
Raisins	300,200	27,402	37,557	80,758	0	80,758	14,483	140,000						
Prunes	229,800	14,166	40,007	40,285	0	40,285	20,342	115,000						
Pears	3,100	0	1,005	1,905	0	1,905	190	0						
Peaches	27,200	8,737	8,928	9,110	0	9,110	425	0						
Figs	22,000	0	830	31	0	31	1,075	20,064						
Apricots	9,100	0	5,323	2,538	0	2,538	239	1,000						
Apples	25,100	12,265	4,181	8,630	0	8,630	24	0						
Dates	7,000	0	66	5	0	5	71	6,858						
Cranberries	72,500	0	13,595	2	0	2	2,632	56,271			4		.4	
	Thousand lbs., proc. weight													
Jams, jellies, etc. - Total														
excluding pectin	598,428	0	159,552	19,521	0	19,521	5,065	414,290			3.2		2.9	
Jams	160,000	0	86,822	13,924	0	13,924	3,343	55,911						
Jellies	249,121	0	44,406	3,485	0	3,485	1,230	200,000						
Marmalade	139,299	0	26,801	2,112	0	2,112	386	110,000						
Apple butter	50,008	0	1,523	0	0	0	106	48,379						
Pectin	6,279	0	592	2,321	0	2,321	21	3,345						



Commodity	Allocation										Per Capita
	Total	Contin-	U.S.	Lend-Lease			Other	civilian			
		gency	and war	Total	Liberated	and minor	ship-	U.S.	allocation		
		reserve	services	areas	Lease-	Lease-	ments	Civilians			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
	Thousand pounds										In po
Vegetable seeds a/	391,443	98,966	31	13,376	572	12,804	3,818	275,252			
Field seeds - Total	1,430,672	14,576	4,639	18,816	4,663	14,153	19,697	1,372,944			
Legumes - Total	367,460	6,679	1,347	5,996	1,180	4,816	696	352,742			
Alfalfa	51,725	0	62	6	0	6	175	51,482			
Clover - Total	118,335	0	104	3,309	739	2,570	283	114,639			
Lespedeza - Total	130,752	0	1,178	0	0	0	0	129,574			
Vetch	66,648	6,679	3	2,681	441	2,240	238	57,047			
Grasses - Total	213,427	7,897	3,292	9,511	727	8,784	2,410	190,317			
Miscellaneous-Total	849,785	0	0	3,309	2,756	553	16,591	829,885			
Fish, canned	727,775	132,831	83,858	151,973	0	151,973	27,031	332,082	2.6		
Fish, fresh, frozen, and shellfish	660.0	0	98.0	0	0	0	0	562.0	4.4		
Fish, cured:											
Cod and other ground fish	32.0	0	1.6	0	0	0	18.3	12.1	{ .8		
Other cured fish	98.3	0	1.1	0	0	0	10.2	87.0	{		
a/ Excludes baked beans and soups.											
b/ Allocation in process of revisions											
c/ Canned weight											
d/ Single strength basis											
e/ Includes non-commercial production											

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